

R E P O R T

FROM THE

STANDING COMMITTEE

ON

TRADE (INCLUDING AGRICULTURE AND FISHING),
SHIPPING, AND MANUFACTURES,

ON THE

RAILWAYS (IRELAND) BILL;

WITH THE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRADE (INCLUDING AGRICULTURE AND FISHING), SHIPPING, AND MANUFACTURES.

[Tuesday, 3rd March 1896]:—Sir John Mowbray reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had nominated the following Members to serve on the Standing Committee for the consideration of all Bills relating to Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures:—

Committee nominated of—

Mr. Ascroft.
Mr. Baird.
Mr. Baldwin.
Mr. Blake.
Mr. Broadhurst.
Mr. Brown.
Mr. Bryce.
Mr. John Burns.
Mr. Burt.
Mr. Cayzer.
Mr. Channing.
Mr. Chaplin.
Mr. Cohen.
Mr. Jesse Collings.
Sir John Colomb.
Mr. Cruldas.
Sir Charles Dalrymple.
Mr. Davitt.
Sir Frederick Dixon-Hartland.
Mr. Fenwick.
Mr. Penrose Fitzgerald.
Mr. Gilliat.
Sir Edward Gourley.
Sir Reginald Hanson.
Mr. Harrington.
Sir Alfred Hickman.
Sir Edward Hill.
Sir William Houldsworth.
Mr. Jackson.
Mr. Jeffreys.
Sir James Joyce.
Mr. William Kenny.
Mr. Kenrick.
Mr. Lambert.

Mr. Walter Long.
Sir John Lubbock.
Mr. Maclean.
Dr. McDonnell.
Mr. Mundella.
Mr. Graham Murray.
Sir Stafford Northcote.
Mr. T. P. O'Connor.
Mr. Oldroyd.
Mr. Power.
Mr. Randell.
Mr. Rankin.
Mr. Renshaw.
Mr. Richardson.
Mr. Ritchie.
Mr. Roche.
Sir Albert Rollit.
Mr. Round.
Mr. Seton-Karr.
Mr. Thomas Shaw.
Mr. T. H. Sidebottom.
Mr. Samuel Smith.
Mr. Strachey.
Mr. T. D. Sullivan.
Mr. Tennant.
Mr. Tomlinson.
Sir Richard Webster.
Mr. R. G. Webster.
Mr. George Whiteley.
Mr. John Wilson (Durham).
Mr. John Wilson (Govan).
Mr. Wolff.
Mr. George Wyndham.
Mr. Young.

[Friday, 6th March 1896]:—Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. John Ellis to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee for the consideration of Bills relating to Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures.

[Tuesday, 10th March 1896]:—Sir John Mowbray reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping and Manufactures:—Mr. Graham Murray and Mr. Power; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Engledew and Sir Charles Pearson.

[Tuesday, 10th March 1896]:—Ordered, That all Standing Committees have leave to print, and circulate with the Votes, the Minutes of their Proceedings, and any amended Clauses of Bills committed to them.

[Tuesday, 14th April 1896]:—Sir John Mowbray reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping and Manufactures:—Mr. Jesse Collings; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Michael Hicks Beach.

[Friday, 8th May 1896]:—Sir John Mowbray reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures:—Mr. Penrose Fitzgerald; and had appointed: Mr. Graham Murray and Mr. John Wilson (Falkirk).

[Friday, 15th May 1896]:—Sir John Mowbray reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures:—Sir William Houldsworth and Mr. Samuel Smith; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Johnson-Ferguson and Mr. Kenyon.

[Friday, 20th June 1896]:—Sir John Mowbray reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures:—Mr. Johnson-Ferguson and Mr. Kenyon; and had appointed in substitution: Sir William Houldsworth and Mr. Samuel Smith.

[Wednesday, 1st July 1896]:—Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. Stuart-Wortley to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee for the consideration of Bills relating to Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, in the place of Mr. John Ellis.

[Friday, 3rd July 1896]:—Sir John Mowbray reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, the following fifteen Members, in respect of the Coal Mines Regulation Act (1887) Amendment (No. 2) Bill:—Mr. William Abraham (Rhondda), Sir William Arrol, Mr. Asquith, Lord Balcarras, Mr. Jesse Collings, Mr. Colville, Sir Charles Dilke, Sir Walter Foeter, Sir Henry Havelock-Allan, Sir William Harcourt, Sir John Jenkins, Sir John Llewelyn, Sir Frederick Milner, Mr. Reckitt, and Secretary Sir Matthew White Ridley.

[Thursday, 9th July 1896]:—Mr. Halsey reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures:—Mr. Walter Long; and had appointed in substitution: Colonel Blundell.

[Monday, 13th July 1896]:—Sir John Mowbray reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures: Mr. Broadhurst and Mr. Thomas Shaw; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Pickard and Mr. Yoxall.

[Tuesday, 14th July 1896]:—Railways (Ireland) Bill, read a second time, and committed to the Standing Committee on Trade, &c.

[Tuesday, 21st July 1896]:—Sir John Mowbray reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures:—Colonel Blundell, Mr. Pickard, and Mr. Yoxall; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Broadhurst, Mr. Walter Long, and Mr. Thomas Shaw.

Sir John Mowbray further reported from the Committee; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, the following fifteen Members, in respect of the Railways (Ireland) Bill:—Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Gerald Balfour, Mr. Clancy, Mr. Condon, Mr. Thomas Curran, Mr. Dano, Sir Thomas Esmonde, Mr. Thomas Joseph Farrell, Mr. Field, Mr. Flynn, Sir James Haslett, Mr. Hemphill, Mr. Jameson, Sir Thomas Lea, and Colonel Saunderson.

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THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRADE (including AGRICULTURE and FISHING), SHIPPING, and MANUFACTURES, to whom the RAILWAYS (IRELAND) BILL was referred;—HAVE gone through the Bill, and have agreed to Report the same without Amendments.

24 July 1896.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRADE (INCLUDING AGRICULTURE AND FISHING), SHIPPING AND MANUFACTURES.

Friday, 24th July 1896.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. STUART-WORTLEY in the Chair.

Mr. Ascroft.
Mr. Baird.
Mr. Gerald Balfour.
Mr. Blake.
Mr. Clancy.
Sir John Colomb.
Mr. Dana.
Mr. Field.
Mr. Harrington.
Sir James Haselett.
Mr. Hemphill.
Mr. William Kenny.

Sir Thomas Lee.
Mr. Mackan.
Sir Stafford Northcote.
Mr. Renshaw.
Mr. T. H. Sidebottom.
Mr. Samuel Smith.
Mr. Strachey.
Mr. Tomlinson.
Mr. George Whiteley.
Mr. John Wilson (*Goswa*).
Mr. Wolf.
Mr. Young.

RAILWAYS (IRELAND) BILL.

Clause 1.—Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 32, after the word "landowners," to insert the word "tenants"—(Mr. Tomlinson).—Question proposed, That the word "tenants" be there inserted.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 25, to leave out from the word "and" to the figures "1891" in line 28—(Mr. Strachey).—Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause,—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 5, to leave out Sub-section (4).—Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause—(Mr. Strachey).—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, agreed to.

Clauses 2—3, agreed to.

Clause 4.—Resolution of House of 22nd July read:—"Railways (Ireland) [Advances].—That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to make advances not exceeding 500,000*l.* at any one time, under any Act of the present Session to facilitate the construction of railways in Ireland, and for that purpose to borrow from the National Debt Commissioners the sums that may be required, such sums to be repaid out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, and, if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund."

Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 22, to leave out the word "five," and insert the word "one"—(Mr. Strachey).—Question proposed, That the word "five" stand part of the Clause,—put, and agreed to.

Clause, agreed to.

Clauses 5—9, agreed to.

Clause 10.—Amendment proposed, in page 5, line 37, to leave out from the word "with" to the end of the Clause—(Mr. Clancy).—Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another

Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 39, to leave out the word "less," and insert the word "more"—(Mr. *Clancy*).—Question put, That the word "less" stand part of the Clause.—The Committee divided:

Ayes, 12.		Noes, 12.
Mr. Baird.		Mr. Ascroft.
Mr. Gerald Balfour.		Mr. Blake.
Sir John Colomb.		Mr. Clancy.
Mr. William Kenny.		Mr. Dane.
Sir Thomas Lea.		Mr. Field.
Mr. Maclean.		Mr. Harrington.
Sir Stafford Northcote.		Sir James Haslett.
Mr. Renshaw.		Mr. Hemphill.
Mr. T. H. Sidelbottom.		Mr. Samuel Smith.
Mr. Strachey.		Mr. John Wilson (<i>Govan</i>).
Mr. Tomlinson.		Mr. Wolff.
Mr. George Whiteley.		Mr. Young.

Whereupon the Chairman declared himself with the Ayes.

Clause 10, *agreed to*.

Clauses 11—13, *agreed to*.

Schedule, *agreed to*.

Ordered, To Report the Bill, without amendment, to the House.

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